## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 875**

## By Pody

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Adrian Ricketts, 2012 Salutatorian of Friendship Christian School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Adrian Ricketts is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2012 graduating class at Friendship Christian School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Adrian has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Ricketts has earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including rendering sterling serving as the Class Secretary, Captain of the Tennis Team, and valuable member of the Student Council, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Key Club, and Spanish Club; and

WHEREAS, strongly committed to community and public service, Ms. Ricketts serves with acumen and alacrity on the Wilson County Teen Court; and

WHEREAS, a young woman of faith, Adrian is an active and devout member of the Maple Hill Church of Christ Youth Group and has embarked on numerous local, regional, and global mission trips; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Adrian Ricketts was granted membership into the prestigious National Honor Society, attended Volunteer's Girls State, and was named Miss Friendship Christian School; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ricketts's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as she continues her education at Lipscomb University and pursues a career in the medical field; and

WHEREAS, Adrian Ricketts's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Tony and Jan Ricketts, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Adrian's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2012 Friendship Christian School Salutatorian, Adrian Ricketts, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.